REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	14 September 1999
Name of applicant/court:	Secretary for Internal Affairs
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	milkman.rm
Other Known Titles:	Not Stated
Director:	Not Stated
Producer:	Not Stated
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Moving Image File
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language:	English

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Components of film originally examined:

Feature:	milkman.rm	Running time:	0.20
Trailers:	Nil	Running time:	
		Total Running time:	0.20

Excision/Alteration: No.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

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Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display Conditions:

Nil.

Descriptive Note:

Contains explicit sex scenes.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: 06 September 1999

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The moving image file entitled *milkman.rm* is classified as:
Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

This classification is due to the publication's treatment of matters of sex. The publication was downloaded from an adult Internet site using a moving image programme. The moving image file has a running time of 20 seconds, and is initially viewed with dimensions of 6.5cm wide and 5cm high. This format may be enlarged to either twice this size, or to full screen, however in doing so the increased pixelation results in a distortion and blurring of the images.

The moving image file serves as a trailer for an adult video recording. The trailer explicitly depicts sexual activity which takes place between consenting adults in a manner which is relaxed and friendly. There is a moderately degrading and dehumanising tone to the images due to the lack of context and close focus on women's genitals. However, the impact is reduced by the short duration and fast pace of the images.

The New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 has been considered in classifying the moving image file. The Classification Office is of the opinion that the restricted classification of the moving image file is a justifiable limit on the freedom of expression that is prescribed by law.

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